

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the section header beginning on page 3, line 21, with the following rewritten section header:

~~Means for Solving the Problems~~ BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please delete the section header beginning on page 4, line 2 ("Advantages of the Invention").

Please replace the section header on page 4, line 9, with the following rewritten section header:

~~Best Mode for Carrying Out the Invention~~ DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, paragraph 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As mentioned above, in administration of a combination drug of glycyrrhizin, aminoacetic acid and cysteine, there has been a demand for making the burden of patents on patients as little as possible, such as pain and tissue thickening of the injected site upon megadose by intravenous injection and the like, whereby the present inventors have carried out intensive studies for high-concentration preparations where a pharmaceutical effect can be expected by administration of a small dose and where stability and safety are high.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, paragraph 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

An object of the present invention is to provide a combination drug of glycyrrhizin, aminoacetic acid and cysteine where effective ingredients are compounded in higher concentrations than the conventional product and wherein the combination also has high stability and safety. Even when concentrations of the compounded components in the conventional product are merely made high, degradation, precipitation and the like of

effective ingredients are resulted and no sufficient stability is available. Further, problems in terms of safety ~~by due to~~ the sulfite contained therein ~~is also~~ resulted.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, paragraph 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In order to solve the aforementioned problem, the present inventors have carried out intensive studies and found that, when sodium sulfite which has been used as a stabilizer in the conventional product is not used, stability when effective ingredients are compounded in high concentrations are improved. And in this way, the present invention has been achieved though compounding a combination drug of glycyrrhizin, aminoacetic acid and cysteine ~~are compounded~~ in which effective ingredients are contained in higher concentrations than the conventional product, and are which is able to be prepared with high safety ~~is able to be prepared whereupon the present invention has been achieved.~~

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, paragraph 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The pharmaceutical composition of the present invention may also be made into the final drug by combining with an appropriate pharmaceutical carrier or diluent and may be made into pharmaceutical preparations by any ~~of~~ known common methods. For example, with regard to an injection preparation, it may be made into a solution or a suspension of an aqueous solvent or a non-aqueous solvent, such as distilled water for injection, physiological saline solution, Ringer's solution, vegetable oil, synthetic fatty acid glyceride, higher fatty acid ester and propylene glycol. In formulating the preparation, it may be made into a combination drug with other pharmaceutically active ingredients.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8, paragraph 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

As apparent from the result shown in the aforementioned Tables 1 and 2, the higher the sodium sulfite concentration is, the more the reduction in the amount of cysteine with lapse of time is. In the cases where sodium sulfite was added, precipitate of glycyrrhizin was produced while, in the cases where no sodium sulfite was added, not only precipitate of glycyrrhizin which was added in a high concentration was not produced but also reduction in the amount of cysteine was low whereby stability was improved. As such, in the preparation of the present invention where glycyrrhizin was concentrated, amounts of effective ingredients are in higher concentrations than in the conventional preparations and both stability and safety are also excellent whereby its utility as ~~pharmaceuticals~~ a pharmaceutical composition is very high.